IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 19, line 20, as follows

FIGS. 13 and 14 illustrate the roles that can be played by intermediary service providers, as illustrated in FIGS 1 and 2. FIG. 13 illustrates a process for an intermediary service provider to compose, based on a set of recipes, data or information from multiple data or information providers. In this case, it is assumed that there are a number of providers that provide information goods 1301 Each of the providers has its own catalog 1302. Based on the RFI/RFQ from the consumer, the intermediary service provider can compose data/information 1304 based on an existing methodology or recipe 1306 The composition is recursive through step 1305 The final representation <u>1307</u> ~~1308~~ can then be submitted to the consumer as a bid.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 25, line 3, as follows

Westchester County needs to make a decision 1813 whether to spray (i e , whether or not to spray for mosquitoes and to pay for this), and this decision 1813 is also based on the ground moisture 1801, the rain tomorrow 18<u>1</u>2, the current disease state 1811, the utility 1815, and pricing information and decisions 1809 The consumer, i.e., Westchester County, therefore usually wants to minimize price (illustratively, step 1809) while maximizing utility 1815 On the other hand, the producers 1801-1806 generally want to maximize price (such as prices 1807 and 1808) while minimizing the amount of information goods for the price